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ADOLF FRIEDRICH

Grand Duke Who May Be Crowned King of Finland.



Grand Duke Adolf of Mecklenburg-Strelitz has been selected as King of

ABSORBING RUSSIA

Berlin Now Demands German Occupation of Moscow.

London, May 15 .- Advices received here state that Germany has delivered to the Russian soviet an ultimatum which, if met, would make Russia virtually a German province. The ultimatum contained demands for German occupation of Moscow, dissofution of recently formed military units, reduction of armament and exchange of prisoners.

Fighting has broken out between Bolsheviki and anarchists in Moscow. The Bolsheviki surrounded the anarchists' headquarters in the center of the city and bombarded it with guns mounted on armored cars. Desperate street fighting ensued. Casualties were heavy. The anarchists replied with machine guns and gren-

An employe of the Swedish consulate at Petrograd says it is reported that the former czar has been removed from Siberia to Moscow and be tried before a special court All traffic has been stopped at the Russian-Finnish frontier.

GERMANS THREATEN CENTRAL RUSSIA

Bolsheviki May Remove Capital to Ural Mountains.

Moscow, May 15 .- Through the capture of Rostov-on-Don the Germans have gained control of the Caucasus, the grain districts in the Donetz basin and the coal, oil and Iron fields. Northern Russia is now cut off from the Caucasus, excepting for a single railroal running through Tzaritsin, in the southern part of the government of Saratov, which the Germans now are threatening.

Coupled with the fall of Sebastopol and the overthrow of the Ukraine rada and the establishment in the Ukraine of a bourgeoise government wholly under German domination, the capture of Rostov-on-Don has created great uneasiness in Moscow and Petrograd. A German advance in central Russia is generally feared, and the removal of the capital to Yekaterinburg, in the Ural mountains, is being discussed.

Germany's overthrow of the Ukraine government, with which it had made peace, is regarded by north Russia as a step toward occupation.

To Direct Airplane Production. Washington, May 15.-Archer A. Landon of Buffalo, N. Y., has been apponted chief of the aircraft production division, it was officially announced. Landon was formerly vice president of the American Radiator company. He has had much experience in Europe. He has already assumed his new post.

Dyersburg.-A charter has been issued to Drs. W. P. Watson, J. G. Prica, S. B. Sharpe, A. H. Moody and C. T. Nash, Jr., who will organize an up-todate hospital in Dyersburg.

Manchester.—The municipal election held in Morrison, resulted in the election of R. L. Stubblefield, mayor.

Columbia, -- D. L. Fry, carrier on ru ral route No. 10, has established a record for the United States by having sold a thrift stamp or a war savings holy church." The bishops held the stamp card in every home on his route. action of the conference was illegal.

NEW DRAFT CALL BY CROWDER

Twenty-four States to Furnish 51,000 Men.

OHIO'S QUOTA IS 2,000

Movement of Draftees Under This Call Extends Over Two Periods, From May 20 to 24 and From May 29 to June 2-Nine Thousand of the Men to Be Sent to Columbus Bar-

Washington, May 15.-General Crowder has called upon twenty-four states and the District of Columbia to furnish for the national army 51,-600 more men qualified for general military service.

Movement of drafted men to the camps under this call is to extend over two periods, from May 20 to 24 and from May 29 to June 2. These dates were fixed because during the five days beginning May 25, approximately 233,000 men called for recently will be moving to the camps.

The call marks further development of the government's plans for hastening men to France and replacing them as rapidly as they vacate the training centers. In all, 284,600 draftees will be journeying from their homes to military camps between May 20 and June 2. Including numerous calls for technical and specially qualified men, the total number summoned during May is something like 366,600, nearly half of the 800,000 expected to be called this year.

While officials did not explain why only half the states were asked to furnish men at this time, it is understood that the sections to be drawn upon were arrived at through consideration of the proportion of quotas, siready called in some cases and of the location of vacated training

The camps selected for the registrants affected by the order are not all national army camps, showing that the men are to be sent wherever room may be found for them. In several instances men from certain states are ordered to go to camps to which men from other states are not usually assigned.

Ohio will furnish 2,000 men, who will be sent to the Columbus barracks. Indiana will send 3,250; West Virginia 1,500 and Pennsylvania 2,750 to the Columbus station.

NEW HOME RULE SCHEME

Cabinet Members Favor Federal Plan For United Kingdom.

London, May 15.-The speech in which George Nicoll Barnes, Labor member of the war cabinet, advocated a federal scheme of home rule for the United Kingdom, has attracted much attention in political quarters here and in Ireland. The lobbyists at Westminster say the utterance was a "trial balloon" to test the country's opinion and declare that, although the government has not decided definitely on a federal scheme, individual members of the cabinet, including Lloyd-George, are inclining more and more to such a solution of the Irish problem. This is due partly, it is said, because they believe the scheme affords the only chance of winning Ulster to home rule.

Car Wrecks Five Buildings.

Dayton, O., May 15 .- Property damage estimated at between \$25,000 and \$50,000 was caused, and one employe of a restaurant was seriously injured, when two freight traction cars left the curve here and crashed into five buildings on the north side of Fifth street. The cars broke loose from the short train hauling steel rails and came down an incline at the rate of 50 miles an hour.

U-BOAT CRUISERS A FAILURE

Allied Naval Forces Sinking Many Submarines.

Zurich, May 15 .- Allied naval operations against German submarines are causing consternation among the crews and the German admiralty, according to information from Berlin. Operations were suspended on new super-submarines at Wilhelmshaven and Kiel because they were too big and other faults were found in their construction. It is admitted that many submarines have been destroyed, one whole squadron failing to return from a cruise in the Atlantic.

Votes For Women Barred.

Atlanta, Ga., May 15 .- The college of bishops of the Methodist Episcopal church South vetoed the action of the general conference of the church giving full laity rights to women, and also reversed the change by the conference of the words in the ritual "Holy Catholic church" to "Christ's

THE ROOKE



ERITISH RECOVER LOST GROUND

Deliver Counter Attack Near Moriancourt.

ENEMY ASSAULTS HILL 44

Engages French Troops and Secures Foothold on the Rugged Slopes of the Height North of Kemmel-Germans Strengthening Their Line Both In Man and Gun Power-Itallans Repulse Austrians.

duels feature operations on the west-

The Germans are keeping up intensive bombardments against the British and French positions on various sectors in Flanders and Picardy. Lithuania, allied with the German em-They also have become embroiled pire is recognized. "We assume that with the French in Champagne and | the conventions to be concluded," the in the Vosges mountains.

engagement of great importance, into account equally with those of Near Morlancourt, which lies to the Lithuania and that Lithuania will parsouth of Albert, the Germans deliver | ticipate in the war burdens of Gered an attack against the British on a front of nearly a mile and at one ! Lithuania is one of the former Ruspoint penetrated a British position. The Australians in a counter attack | have attempted to set up as nominally almost immediately recaptured the ground and the enemy suffered heavy influence. losses and was repulsed on the other parts of the front.

A similar operation was attempted against the French on Hill 44, the scene of many previous bloody encounters in the Kemmel sector. Unofficial accounts say the enemy gained a foothold on the rugged slopes, but that the French were pressing them hard, while Field Marshal Haig asserts that an attack north of Kemmel (which might include Hill 44) was repulsed.

North of Robecq, in Flanders, the British took the initiative and in an attack inflicted casualties on the enemy and captured prisoners. On the Amiens sector, the French carried out a similar maneuver with like results. Wherever the Germans essayed a stroke, except near Morlancourt and Hill 44, they met with almost instant repulse at the hands of the allies.

Although the Germans everywhere are remaining in comparative quiet. except for their artillery work, it is realized behind the allied lines that this state of affairs will not last long, for the enemy is known to be preparing methodically for a resumption of hostilities. The strengthening of the line is being made both in man and gun power and, in reconstituting regiments that were shot to pieces by the allied guns during the big drive. the Germans are bringing up men who have had no part in the great

In the Italian *heater considerable flighting conti, es around Monte Corno, which commands the approach to the valley leading from Trent to Royerto. Here the Austrians have renewed their attacks to regain the ground captured by General Diaz's forces last week, but the Italians have successfully warded off every blow.

James Gordon Bennett. New York, May 15,-James Gordon Bennett, proprietor of the New York Herald, died at his home, Villa Namouna, in Bacullien, near Nice, France. He had been in ill health for some time. Bennett was one of the best known figures in the newspaper world. He was born in New York May 10, 1841, With John W. Mackay, he established the Commercial Cable company in 1883.

OF HUNGER AND PLAGUE

Prisoners of War Subjected to forrible Outrages in

gton.-Italian prisoners in are subjected to horrible outays a dispatch to the Italian y from Rome. "Never in the of the civilized world have rages been registered," it says. hole thing seems to be a systemilitic effort on the part of Austria strey the manhood of Italy. Ausendeavoring in every possible way to surpass in cruelty and ferocity er accomplices." The dispatch ped and left without food or care, if Most of them die of hunger and of plague.

FORCED INTO ARMY

Receive a Proclamation

da May 15 .- Emperor William has lessed a proclamation concerning Lithuania in which he says it is as sumed Lithuania will participate in the war burdens of Germany. In the proclamation the "independence" of proclamation says further, "will take Nowhere has there been an infantry ! the interests of the German empire many, which secured her liberation." sian border states which the Germans independent countries under German

Of the 3,082,949 persons called under the selective service act, 252,294, or 8.18 per cent, mailed to appear for examination, according to a statement issued by the provost marshal general. This number, however, included men who had previously enlisted or been commissioned and had failed to notify their boards, some who had died, and many who were transferred to other boards but by mistake had been carried on the books of their local boards -estimated at 100,000,

Many of the remaining 150,000 were allens, a number of whom left the country to enlist in their own armies, The statement estimates the number of real "slackers" at not more than 50,000, or an average of less than ten

for each local board. Translations of editorial comment in the German press, made public by the committee on public information, include the following from the Berliner

Tageblatt: "The terms of the ultimatum to Russia will please even the most unre lenting advocates of violence. It would be interesting to hear Hertling, who accepted Wilson's second principle that people are not to be bartered about from sovereign to sovereign, explain just what differences exist between the political methods of the past and those of today. It may be conceded that today the German reichstag is in-

formed of coming changes, but not un-

til the matter has been settled with-

out it. We all hope this policy will bring peace and prosperity, but we cannot conceal our anxiety at the birth of-these new states." Commandeers Platinum. Nashville.-The democratic state executive committee, sitting as the state board of primary election commissioners, in session at the state capitol, directed the county democratic executive committees to the various counties of the state to meet

at the respective county seats on Saturday, May 18, for the purpose of nominating five county commisioners to compose the county democratic primary board for each county. The board of democratic state primary election commissioners is called to meet at the capitol at noon Thursday, May 23, for the purpose of confirming and commissioning the county primary commissioners. the Canadian tank corps.

EFFORT TO AMEND MEASURE FAILS

Overman Reorganization Bill Passes the House.

President Not) Use His New Pewers to Reduce the Functions of the Interstate / ommerce Commission, House Members Are Told-Passage of the Bill Ends Long Fight Over the Measure In Congress.

Washington, May 15 .- By a vote of 295 to 2, the house passed without amendment the Overman bill, empowering the president to reorganize government departments and agen-

A proposal to exempt the interstate commerce commission was defeated, 213 to 87, and another to exempt the war finance corporation and the capital issues committee, was rejected. 109 to 61.

Representatives Moore of Pennsylvania and Towner of Iowa, Republicans, sought vainly to insert au amendment to require the president to report to congress on changes in departments, while Representative Gould of New York, Republican, wanted to amend the section authorizing the president to establish an executive agency to have jurisdiction over the aircraft production, so as to make compulsory the establishment of a separate aircraft department, Representative Webb, chairman of

the judiciary committee, announced that President Wilson had informed him that he had no idea of using the powers to reduce the functions of the interstate commerce commission. In that connection, however, he said the number of experts employed in the interstate commerce commission and expressed the hope that he would be given authority to transfer some of them to the railroad administration or to other departments, where their experience would be of great value. A similar transfer of experienced men in the federal reserve board, Mr. Webb said, would aid the war finance corporation.

Representative Longworth of Ohio, Republican, declared the bill gives the president authority to restore to Secretary McAdoo all of the powers proposed for him to the original draft of the war finance corporation bill. He said he objected to the manner in which the bill was brought to the capitol, referring to Postmaster General Burleson as "the purveyor of

GUNS STORED IN UNITED STATES

Officials Probing Charge Against German Agents.

New York, May 15 .- An investigation of the repeated charge that German agents have a million Mauser rifles, many machine guns and unlimited quantities of ammunition stored in this country, is under way here. The sestigation was started at the request of the army intelligence bureau. It is being conducted by Merton E. Lewis, state attorney general, at his office here. More than 60 witnesses, including several well-known attorneys and a former city official, appeared in response to subpoenas and were examined by Deputy Attorney General Alfred L. Becker. The purchasing and storing of rifles and munitions are said to involve the American fund of Bolo Pasha, the French traitor.

Ohioans In Casualty List.

Washington, May 15 .- The latest casualty list contains 72 names, divided as follows: Killed in action, 14: died of wounds, 7: died of disease, 3; wounded slightly, 21; missing in action, 27. Officers named included Captain Lloyd B. Russell, Manchester, Okla., and Lieutenants Heroert Boyer, San Francisco, and Stephen E. Fitzgerald, Dorchester, Mass., killed in action. Private Walter S. Auer, Canton, O., died of wounds, and Clement T. Duffey, Delaware, died of disease.

Washington, May 15 .- Platinum

has been commandeered for war purposes, the war industries board announced. Supplies in the hands of jewelers, manufacturers, wholesalers and importers, and platinum received by them up to June 30, must be sold to the government at \$105 a troy

British Army Raises Age Limit. Boston, May 15.-The British army has raised its age limit for volunteers for infantry service from 45 to 50 years. The age limit for recruts for the Canadian army remains at 19 to 45 years. Official orders stated that no further recruits were wanted for

HOWARD COONLEY

New Vice President of Emergency Fleet Corporation.



TURNED OVER TO GOVERNMENT

Million Tons of Shipping Completed

Under Shipping Board. Washington, May 15.-The first million tons of ships completed and delivered to the United States government under the direction of the shipping board have been put on the high seas to help defeat Germany. A total of 159 vessels of 1,108,621 tons was completed up to May 11, according to statistics compiled by experts of the shipping board. Since Jan. 1 more than half of the total tonnage, 667,896, has been delivered and the monthly totals have shown a steady increase. Most of the ships delivered were requisitioned on the ways or in contract form when the United States entered the war. Virtually all are of steel construction. None of the ships of the great wood program has been delivered, although 46 have been launched, due to delay in obtaining offers and other machinery.

Crisis Not Passed, Says Reading. New York, May 15 .- Warning to the people of America against false optimism in the war, especially as regords the great battle in Flanders. was sounded by Earl Reading, Brit-'sh high commissioner to the United States, in addressing the New York City Bar association here. is not passed." he said, "and it never will be passed until the victory is won."

Decrease In Frozen Poultry. Washington, May 15.-Storage

holdings of frozen poultry on May 1 amounted to 26,474,330 pounds, a decrease of 66 per cent from holdings a year ago, the department of agriculture announces. Holdings were: Broilers, 3,134,478 pounds; roasters, 6.938.382: fowls, 4.929.587: turkeys, 6,479,808, and miscellaneous poultry, 4,992,075.

Downs Eighth Airplane. Paris, May 15 .- Sergeant Frank L. Baylies of the "Stork" escadrille, has brought down another German machine, the eighth to his credit since Feb. 19. The sergeant's home is in New Bedford, Mass., and he formerly served in the American field ambu-

Mayor of Denver Dead. Denver, May 15.-Robert W. Speer, 67, mayor of Denver and widely known throughout the country as an authority on municipal government, is dead after a short illness of pneu-

British Casualties 41,000. London, May 15 .- The total of British casualties reported the past week is 41,612. They are divided as follows: Killed or died of wounds, officers 501, men 5,065; wounded or missing, officers 2,123, men 33,923. The large total in the last week evidently represents lesses suffered when the fighting in Flanders and Picardy was at its height.

Schmidt Choked Woman.

Detroit, Mich.-A coroner's jury investigating the death of Irma Pallatinus, whose body recently was found under the floor of the former home here of Helmuth Schmidt, self-slaver. returned a verdict that she came to her death through strangulation at the hands of Schmidt. Schmidt's 17-yearold daughter testified that her father explained the disappearance of Miss Pallatinus, who acted as his house keeper, by saying she had left his home after taking \$700 of his money

Packer's Son-in-Law Arrested as Alien, Chicago.-Count James Minotto, sonin-law of Louis F. Swift, the packer, was taken into custody here by Deputy United States Marshals on a Pres idential warrant, ordering his internment. A habeas corpus action immediately was instituted in behalf of the Count and he was taken before Federal Judge Carpenter and released on \$50,000 bonds. Hearing of arguments on the habeas corpus proceedings was set for May 29.